

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings of claims in the application:

**Listing of Claims:**

Claim 1-19 (Canceled)

Claim 20 (Currently Amended): In an operating system configured to support a plurality of file types, a method for displaying a listing of a plurality of files, a first file having a first file type and a second file having a second file type of one of the plurality of file types, wherein a set of relevant textual properties of each file type is stored by the operating system, the method comprising:

receiving a first user selection of a first textual property for the first file type of the file;  
and

receiving a second user selection of a second textual property for the second file type,  
wherein the second textual property is different from the first textual property;  
~~in response to the user selection, displaying a first value of the selected first textual property in the vicinity of at a location relative to a first graphical representation of the first file;~~ and

displaying a second value of the selected second textual property at the same location  
relative to a second graphical representation of the second file.

~~wherein the set of relevant properties for one of the file types is different from the set of relevant properties of another of the file types.~~

Claim 21 (Currently Amended): The method of claim 20, wherein said receiving a first user selection includes receiving the user selection of the first textual property from a list of the relevant textual properties of the first file type.

Claim 22 (Canceled)

Claim 23 (Canceled)

Claim 24 (Previously Presented): A computer readable medium having computer-executable instructions for performing the steps recited in claim 20.

Claim 25 (Canceled)

Claim 26 (Currently Amended): The method of claim 20, wherein the set of relevant textual properties for one of thethe first file types is different from the set of relevant properties of for the othersecond file types.

Claim 27 (Previously Presented): A method for displaying items in a computer operating system, the method comprising the steps of:

associating a first item type with a first property;  
associating a second item type with a second property, wherein the first property is different from the second property and not associated with the second item type;  
displaying a listing of a plurality of items, wherein the plurality of items comprises a first item of the first item type and a second item of the second item type;  
displaying for each item in the listing a graphical representation, a name, and a slot;  
displaying in the slot of the first item a textual value for the first property of the first item;  
and  
displaying in the slot of the second item a textual value for the second property of the second item.

Claim 28 (Previously Presented): The method of claim 27, wherein the first item type comprises a first file format and the second item type comprises a second file format.